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DIV. OF OIL, GAS & MINING

DECISION

American Gilsonite Company 29950 South Bonanza Highway Bonanza, UT 84008 Gilsonite Lease U-0126943

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Bond Increase Required

American Gilsonite Company currently has on file with the Utah State Office of the Bureau of Land Management a personal lease bond and treasury note in the amount of \$68,000 to cover gilsonite lease U-0126943.

Regulations at 43 CFR 3504.60 allow for the amount of any bond to be increased/decreased when additional/less coverage is determined to be appropriate. The Utah State Office, in conjunction with the Vernal Field Office, is requiring that your bond for gilsonite lease U-0126943 be increased by \$24,000 based on the present reclamation requirements for the WH-20 site.

This bond amount may be provided by increasing the present bond or by submitting an entirely new bond for the required amount. Enclosed are forms for submitting a new surety bond or a new treasury note or cash in lieu of bond. If you do not agree with the bond amount, you must submit written justification to this office clarifying your position for a lesser bond amount.

A compliance period of 30 days from the receipt of this decision will be allowed to submit the above bond.

/s/J D McKenzie

J. D. McKenzie Chief, Branch of Solid Minerals

Enclosures

- 1. Surety Bond Form
- 2. Personal Bond and Power of Attorney Form

cc: State Division of Oil, Gas and Mining Vernal Field Office